

PUBLIC NOTICE

PERMIT APPLICATION: NRS 07.387

APPLICANT: Steve Morse
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LOCATION: Tributary to Ballplay Creek
Monroe County
N 35.41305, W -84.17562

WATERSHED DESCRIPTION: The project site is located in the Little Tennessee watershed (HUC # 6010204). The impacted tributary to Ballplay Creek has not been assessed for designated uses, Ballplay Creek has been assessed and is supporting for all of its designated uses. Surrounding land usage in the project area is rural agricultural.

<http://www.state.tn.us/environment/wpc/ppo/arap>.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant proposes impound the headwaters of a tributary of Ballplay Creek to form a private pond. This proposed impoundment would impact 270 linear feet of stream after levee construction and would form a half-acre pond.

Dam construction will involve clearing and grading of site with a bulldozer. Clay soil will be brought on site for construction of the levee. The proposed dam will be 14 feet in height and 65 feet in width. An emergency spillway will be constructed on the north side of the dam.

In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 1200-4-3-.06), the division has determined that the proposed activity may result in degradation to water quality.

USGS TOPOGRAPHIC QUADRANGLE: Rafter

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Benjamin Brown

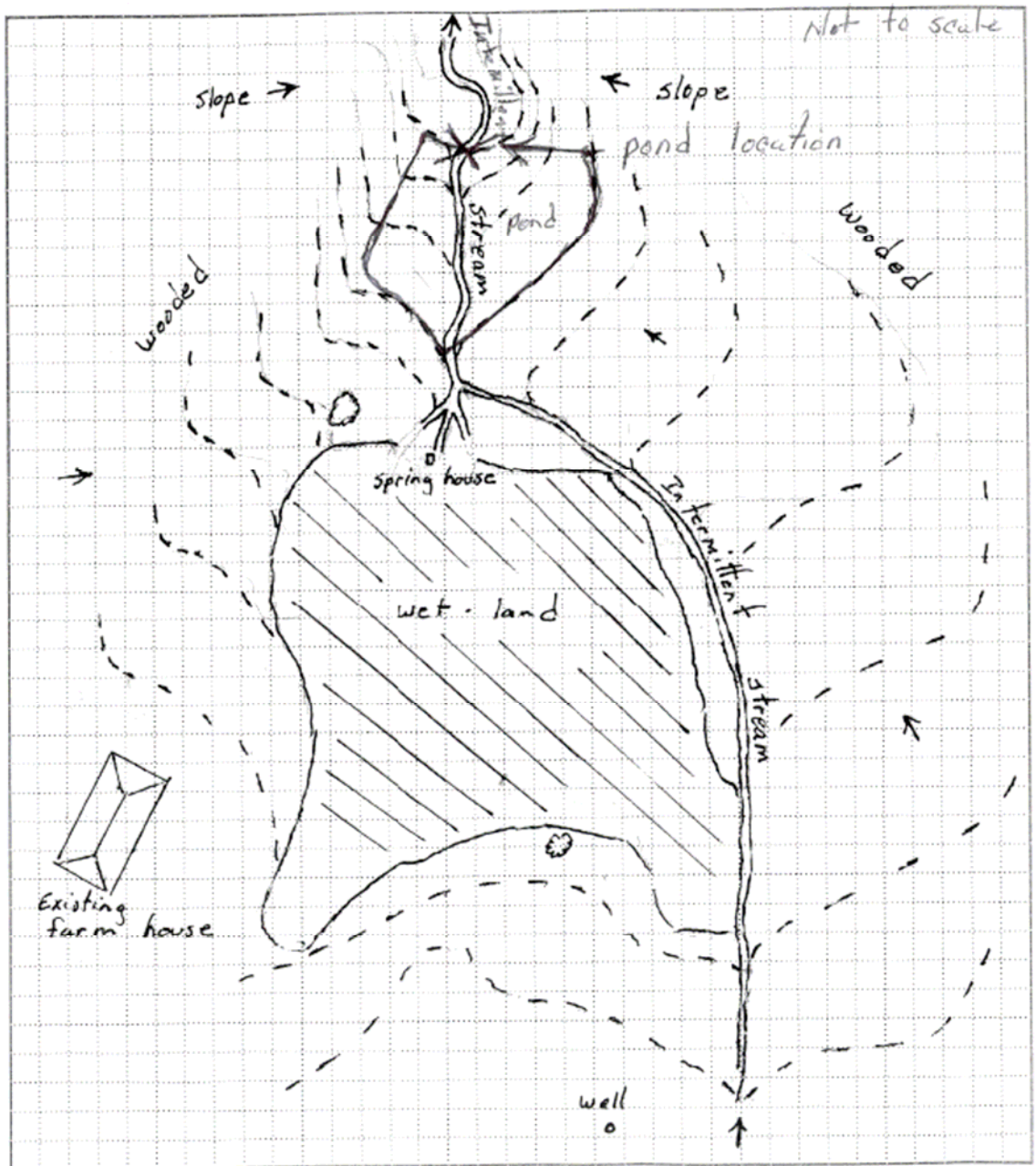
No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this permit. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. Written comments must be received within **thirty days of the date that this notice is posted**. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced.

Interested persons may also request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing.

The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address for review and/or copying. The department's address is:

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation
Division of Water Pollution Control, Natural Resources Section
7th Floor L & C Annex
401 Church Street
Nashville, TN 37243

In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments on record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws.



Drawing depicting the approximate proposed location of the 0.5 acre pond, adjacent wetland area, and stream location.



This is a picture of the stream channel taken in mid-winter at an area that will be the upper limit of the pond. The wetland is on the upper side of the pictured trees.



This picture was taken looking down stream where the outfall from the dam will be located.



This is a picture of the open area where the basin of the pond will be located. The stream channel is just past the open pasture area.



Another picture of the pond basin area.